

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Raymond Nicholas Burke et al.  
Title: Hose  
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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 5, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows.